

REMARKS**Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-20 were presented in the Application prior to Appeal. In the office action mailed May 14, 2010, the Examiner canceled claims 1, 6, 11, and 16. In this Response, Applicants further cancel claims 2, 7, 12, and 17, and amend claims 3, 8, 13, and 18, so that they are presented in independent form. Note that Applicants have also amended claim 19 so that it properly depends from claim 18. Thus, claims 3-5, 8-10, 13-15, and 18-20 are currently presented in the Application, and claims 3, 8, 13, and 18 are independent claims.

Conclusion

As a result of the foregoing, it is asserted by Applicants that the remaining claims in the Application are in condition for allowance, and Applicants respectfully request an early allowance of such claims.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the Applicants' attorney listed below if the Examiner believes that such a discussion would be helpful in resolving any remaining questions or issues related to this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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